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AMENDMENTS

Claims 2-36 are currently pending in the application.

Claims 28-36 have been withdrawn without prejudice as a result of a restriction election made with traverse.

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Previously presented) A portable electronic device operable to record digital images comprising:
 - an image input sensor operable to record a digital image;
 - a memory operable to store the digital image and a process characteristic associated with at least one destination;
 - a processor coupled to the memory and operable to determine a destination and an associated process characteristic, the processor operable to process the digital image using the process characteristic associated with the destination; and
 - a communication module operable to communicate the processed digital image to the destination.
3. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 2 wherein the process characteristic comprises an image size characteristic.

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4. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 2 wherein the process characteristic comprises a compression size characteristic.

5. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 2 further comprising:
the memory operable to store a reference to a markup language based template associated with the destination; and
the processor operable to incorporate the digital image as a part of the template prior to communicating to the destination.

6. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 2 further comprising:
the memory operable to store a process reference associated with the destination; and
the communication module operable to communicate the process reference and digital image to the destination.

7. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 6 further comprising:
the processor operable to determine plural processes to associate with the digital image and associate a plural processing reference with the digital image; and
the communication module operable to communicate the plural processing reference and the digital image to the destination.

8. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 2 further comprising:
a wireline communication module operable to communicate the digital image and a process reference;

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a wireless communication module operable to communicate the digital image and the process reference; and

the processor operable to determine an availability of a network associated with the wireline communication module and the wireless communication module, the processor operable to communicate the digital image to the destination in response to the availability.

9. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 2 further comprising:

a wireline communication module operable to be coupled to a localized processing system; and

a process application stored within a memory of the localized processing system and operable to initiate communication with the destination.

10. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 9 further comprising the application operable to:

store the digital image within a storage medium associated with the localized processing system;

determine an availability of a network for communicating the digital image to a destination;

establish communication with the destination;

communicate the digital image based on the availability; and

delete the digital image from the storage medium of the localized processing system upon communicating the digital image to the destination.

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11. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 10 further comprising the process application operable to determine plural destinations and to communicate the digital image to the plural destinations.

12. (Previously presented) A portable electronic device operable to communicate a digital image and associated processing information comprising:

a processor operable to automatically associate a process reference with a digital image upon capturing the digital image;

an image sensor operable to be enabled upon a process being selected;

a memory operable to store the digital image in association with the process reference; and

a communication module operable to communicate the digital image in association with the automatically associated process reference.

13. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 12 further comprising the processor operable to activate the process prior to capturing the digital image.

14. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 13 further comprising the processor operable to enable an image capture command in association with activating the process.

15. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 12 wherein the process reference comprises a traditional print reference.

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16. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 15 further comprising an exposure number reference stored within the memory and operable to enable capturing of a digital image based on the number of prepaid exposures stored within the memory.

17. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 12 wherein the process reference comprises an email reference.

18. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 12 wherein the process reference comprises a destination.

19. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 12 wherein the process reference comprises a web update reference.

20. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 12 wherein the process reference comprises an image archive reference.

21. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 12 wherein the process reference comprises a plural process reference.

22. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 14 further comprising the processor operable to rename the digital image based on the process reference.

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23. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 21 further comprising providing at least a portion of the process reference as a part of an image name associated with the renamed digital image.

24. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 13 further comprising:
the communication module operable to receive a new process reference;
the memory operable to store the new process reference; and
the processor operable to enable selection of the new process reference and to automatically associate the new process reference with the digital image prior to capturing the digital image.

25. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 16 further comprising the processor operable to provide the process reference and the digital image as one file.

26. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 12 further comprising the processor operable to initiate an email process application prior to enabling capturing of the digital image.

27. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 12 further comprising the processor operable to process the digital image in association with the process reference and prior to communicating the digital image.

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28. (Withdrawn) A method of communicating digital images and associated processing information comprising:

determining a profile associated with a digital image capturing device;

enabling at least one process based on the profile; and

communicating a reference to the at least one process to process a digital image captured using the digital image capturing device.

29. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 28 further comprising:

associating a first set of plural processing references with a first digital image;

associating a second set of plural processing references with a second digital image, the second set different from the first set; and

communicating the first set, the second set, the first digital image and the second digital image to a network location operable to identify processing using the first set and the second set.

30. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 28 further comprising:

providing a plural processing reference;

associating plural digital images with the plural processing reference; and

communicating the plural digital images and the plural processing reference to a network location.

31. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 28 further comprising determining a user identification reference.

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32. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 28 further comprising determining a device identification reference.

33. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 28 further comprising determining an application identification reference.

34. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 28 further comprising:
creating a copy of the digital image;
formatting the digital image based on a process characteristic associated with a destination prior to communicating the digital image to the destination; and
renaming the digital image prior to communicating the digital image to the destination.

35. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 28 further comprising:
determining plural processes for processing the digital image;
providing a plural process reference external to an image file; and
communicating the plural process reference in association with the digital image;

36. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 35 further comprising:
enabling plural processes based on the profile; and
providing a plural processing reference in response to receiving a digital image captured in association with at least one of the processes.